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In re Application of:)
Bernard DUJON et al.)
Serial Number: 09/492,697.) Group Art Unit: 1651
Filed: January 27, 2000) Examiner: KAUSHAL, S.

For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE ENCODING
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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

30. (Amended) A recombinant mammalian or plant cell comprising [a] the recombinant chromosome of claim 23 [comprising an endonuclease site selected from the group consisting of HO endonuclease and Group I intron encoded endonuclease sites].

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested. This Amendment adds no new matter.

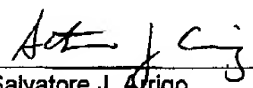
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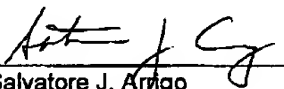
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